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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

June 25, 2002

ATTN: W.P. ERWIN, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE
REFUND SECTION
ACCOUNTING DIVISION
OFFICE OF FINANCE

REQUEST FOR REFUND (Improper Fees Paid)

I. REFUND REQUEST

This is a request for a refund with respect to the payment of \$180.00 attached to an Information Disclosure Statement filed on June 12, 2002 in the above-identified application.

A copy of the Information Disclosure Statement filed on June 12, 2002 is attached to this request.

II. FEES FOR WHICH REFUND REQUESTED

		AMOUNT OF REFUND REQUESTED
	filing fee	<u>14750121</u>
	surcharge for filing the basic filing on a date later than the filing date of the application (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e))	
	and/or	
	surcharge for filing the oath or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e))	
	extension of term	
	first month	
	second month	
	third month	
	fourth month	
	excess claims	-
	issue fee	
	petition fee	
	patent maintenance fee	
	first maintenance fee	
	second maintenance fee	
	third maintenance fee	
	patent maintenance fee surcharge	
\boxtimes	Other: Information Disclosure Statement Fee	\$180.00
	TOTAL REFUND REQUESTED	\$180.00

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III. EXPLANATION OF WHY CONTESTED CHARGE IS IN ERROR

Information Disclosure Statement was filed on June 12, 2002 before the mailing date of a first Action on the merits (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3)).

IV. MANNER OF REFUND

Please make refund by crediting Account No. 02-2448.

We respectfully request that the attached copy of this letter be returned to us with an indication that the credit has been processed.

Respectfully submitted,

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